

# Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska  
September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Commissioner's Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on Tuesday, the 6<sup>th</sup>, day of September, 2016 commencing at 10:31 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Scott McDonald, Vice Chair Ron Wertz, Commissioner Paul Nichols, County Clerk Margaret Pollmann and County Attorney, D. Eugene Garner. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County News, the designated method for giving notice. Board agendas are posted on the County's website [www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov](http://www.hitchcockcounty.ne.gov). Notice of the meeting was given to the Chair and all members of the Board. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The Open Meetings Act was available for review and Chair indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held.

Member Nichols moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: 1. Approval of September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016 agenda; 2. Approval of the August 15<sup>th</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent Phillip Dixon joined the meeting. Discussion held on the Stratton Northwest bridge project and temporary speed limit signs.

Member Nichols offered Resolution #16-10 and moved for its' adoption. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the roll was called thereupon and the following members voted in favor of the motion: McDonald, Wertz, and Nichols. Said resolution having been consented to by a majority of all members elected to said County Board, was by the Chair declared passed and adopted. A true, correct and complete copy of said resolution is as follows:

## **RESOLUTION #16-10**

**WHEREAS**, the Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners desires to provide maximum protection to the users of roads in Hitchcock County; and

**WHEREAS**, said Board of Commissioners acknowledges the State of Nebraska has adopted the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) as published by the Federal highway Administration; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Manual of Local Control Devices which states, local authorities in their respective jurisdiction shall place and maintain the traffic control devices on roads under their jurisdiction as they deem necessary to indicate and to carry out local traffic ordinances or to regulate, warn or guide traffic. All traffic control devices erected shall conform to the manual and specifications; and

**WHEREAS**, official recognition of the proper position of regulatory types of signs is required to provide legal enforcement.

**WHEREAS**, in the interest of public safety, the board is desirous of placing temporary 45 MPH regulatory speed limit signs on the road running diagonally northwest to southeast through Section 12, Township 3, Range



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32 West in Hitchcock County, Nebraska and to pursue permanent placement of regulatory speed limit signs on said road.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that temporary 45 MPH regulatory speed limit signs shall be placed on the road running diagonally northwest to southeast through Section 12, Township 3, Range 32 West in Hitchcock County, Nebraska.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Highway Superintendent, is hereby directed to perform a traffic study on the road running diagonally northwest to southeast through Section 12, Township 3, Range 32 West in Hitchcock County, Nebraska and to submit in writing to the county board, a traffic study report relating to permanent placement of 45 MPH regulatory signs on said road.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 6<sup>th</sup>, day of September, 2016, at Hitchcock County, Nebraska.

VOTING FOR THE MOTION: Scott McDonald, Ron Wertz, Paul Nichols

VOTING AGAINST THE MOTION: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

The Resolution is hereby adopted.

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Scott McDonald, Chair

ATTEST:

SEAL

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk

Assessor Bedore joined the meeting and the billings from Luhrs Real Estate and Appraisal and Tax Valuation, Inc. were discussed.

Member Nichols moved for the board to find that the services of Luhrs Real Estate and Appraisal at the 2016 protest hearings were requested by the Hitchcock County Assessor to assist in the performance of her duties and accordingly that a claim in the amount of \$375.00 for said services be approved. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following member voted in favor of the motion: Wertz. Nichols and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member Nichols moved for the board to find that the services of Tax Valuation Inc. at the 2016 protest hearings were requested by the Hitchcock County Assessor to assist in the performance of her duties and accordingly that the claim in the amount of \$2,500.00 for said services be approved. The motion died for the lack of a second.

The Board requested that Assessor Bedore obtain a detailed invoice from Tax Valuation Inc. for services rendered at 2016 protest hearings.

Budget preparation assistant Daniel D. Miller joined the meeting and work was held on the 2016/2017 budget. The 2016/2017 Budget Hearing will be held September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 10:45 a.m.



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Member Wertz moved to approve the following claims. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

## GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll -----	\$12,562.37
Marlene Bedore, mileage -----	\$ 189.54
Capital Business System, Inc., copies -----	\$ 468.90
Capital Business Systems, Inc., equipment lease -----	\$ 196.80
Clerk District Court, advance costs -----	\$ 72.00
Community First Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 4,093.43
Diamond Vogel Paint Center, supply -----	\$ 14.10
Dr. Drain Rescue, repair -----	\$ 382.98
Goodwin Siegfried, LLP, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 100.00
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 1,158.06
Hitchcock Co. Court, court costs -----	\$ 150.00
Todd Hovey, blood draw -----	\$ 125.00
Latimer Reporting, transcript -----	\$ 17.89
Law Office of Tana Fye, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 100.00
Lincoln Co. Clerk, probation costs -----	\$ 3,360.58
Menards North Platte, supply -----	\$ 10.37
Messersmith Water Treatment, supply -----	\$ 20.20
Mid-American Benefits, admin. fee -----	\$ 94.98
Midwest Special Services, prisoner transport -----	\$ 457.50
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 531.95
Nebraska.gov, transcripts -----	\$ 11.00
NSA/POAN Conference, registration -----	\$ 250.00
P. Stephen Potter, ct. appt. counsel -----	\$ 1,601.66
Quality Urgent Care, inmate medical -----	\$ 236.00
Quill Corp., supply -----	\$ 138.96
Red Willow Co. Treasurer, district judge costs -----	\$ 760.59
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,847.28
Patricia Rippen, mileage -----	\$ 124.20
SW Public Power, utility -----	\$ 40.94
T&J Repair, repair -----	\$ 12.50
Uerling Construction LLC, bathroom remodel -----	\$33,500.00
Verizon Wireless, service -----	\$ 301.81
Village of Trenton, utility -----	\$ 2,717.09
Volz, Inc., repair -----	\$ 225.00
Walmart, supply -----	\$ 426.14
West Central District, registrations -----	\$ 180.00
Ryan R. Wilcox, public defender contract -----	\$ 2,000.00
Luhrs Real Estate & Appraisals, professional services -----	\$ 375.00

## ROAD FUND:

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$12,038.86
Community First Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 3,602.09
Dan's R Us Sanitation, service -----	\$ 19.50
Don Hagan & Sons, Inc., repair -----	\$ 116.30



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Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 178.94
Husker Steel, culverts -----	\$41,125.40
Jerry's Body Shop, repair -----	\$ 330.52
Klein's Motor & Electric, same -----	\$ 1,233.68
Lakeside Sand & Gravel LLC, gravel -----	\$ 1,697.79
Menards – North Platte, supply -----	\$ 9.97
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 482.33
Powerplan John Deere Financial, repair -----	\$ 1,703.50
Retirement Plans Division Ameritas, retirement -----	\$ 1,496.35
Richards Gravel Pit, gravel -----	\$ 892.50
Darrell Schutz, repair -----	\$ 434.20
Sensel Welding and Repair, same -----	\$ 779.55
SW Fertilizer, supply/chemicals -----	\$19,594.76
SW Public Power District, utility -----	\$ 44.88
Titan Machinery, repair -----	\$ 633.95
Village of Culbertson, utility -----	\$ 48.30
Village of Stratton, same -----	\$ 63.23
Village of Trenton, same -----	\$ 122.88
Walmart, supply -----	\$ 12.81
Karen Wertz, reimb. tools -----	\$ 39.99
Western Tire Co., repair -----	\$ 268.80

## 911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:

Centurylink, service -----	\$ 281.25
Great Plains Comm., same -----	\$ 686.48

Member McDonald moved to approve the claim of RW Welding in the amount of \$73.70 for repair in the Road Fund. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion. Nichols and McDonald. Member Wertz abstained. Motion carried.

Member Wertz moved to direct Chair to execute the contract for professional appraisal services by and between Hitchcock County and Pritchard and Abbott, Inc. for 2017 and 2018 mineral properties. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration, the following members voted in favor of the motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

The NIRMA sign audit will be conducted Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>.

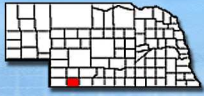
The following inventories were acknowledged: County Treasurer, Building and Grounds and Road District #3.

The Treasurer was in receipt of \$1.00 from Vonnage American for 911 surcharges, credited to the 911 Emergency Services Fund.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn at 1:20 p.m. and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: McDonald, Nichols, and Wertz. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Scott McDonald, Chair  
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Margaret Pollmann, County Clerk